

# Executive Proclamation

## State of South Dakota

### Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Allen Chapel, African Methodist Episcopal Church, will celebrate its One Hundredth Anniversary in Yankton, South Dakota, on July 6 and 7, 1985; and,

WHEREAS, Dakota was still a territory at the time of Allen Chapel's inception, and the A.M.E. group was part of the progressive push which brought about statehood in 1889; and,

WHEREAS, The Chapel Sunday School had twenty people enrolled and the library consisted of twelve cherished volumes; and,

WHEREAS, The Isaac Blakey and Henry Blakey families arrived in 1905; Isaac became the titular head of the church, followed by Ted Blakey upon Isaac's retirement; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Spencer Blakey, Sr., is the only native born member of the congregation; and,

WHEREAS, Allen Chapel has contributed greatly to the religious and cultural life of the Yankton community; and,

WHEREAS, The celebration of the centennial anniversary of Allen Chapel, African Methodist Episcopal Church, is worthy of public recognition in the State of South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this momentous occasion in the life of a South Dakota congregation:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 6 and 7, 1985, as

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH DAYS

in South Dakota.



ATTEST:

ALICE RUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

By: *Jay D. Vogt*  
Jay D. Vogt, Deputy

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of February, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Five

*William J. Janklow*  
WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

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